

CLASS SPECIFICATION
County of Fairfax, Virginia

CLASS CODE: 3730

TITLE: NATURALIST IV

GRADE: S-25

DEFINITION:

Under administrative direction, to assist the Division manager in the overall, day-to-day planning, administration, and supervision of the Division's conservation activities and programs; to coordinate and provide direction to all facilities and personnel; and to perform related work as required.

TYPICAL TASKS:

Directs and coordinates the implementation of conservation policies and procedures for the Division;
Plans and develops interpretation programs, facilities and activities;
Coordinates research studies and the preparation of technical reports;
Makes recommendations to the Division manager regarding long-range plans;
Maintains liaison with other key park officials, other agencies, citizens' organizations, and the public on issues of environmental concern pertaining to park lands and natural resources;
Directs staff operations and training;
Assists the Division manager in budget development and administration;
Justifies necessary facilities and equipment for the budget.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Thorough knowledge of nature conservation theory and philosophy;
Extensive knowledge of conservation program management practices;
Thorough knowledge of County operating policies;
Ability to plan and direct comprehensive interpretation/conservation programs and activities;
Ability to speak and write effectively; ability to plan, direct and manage the work of subordinate staff;
Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with staff and public officials.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS:

Any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with a bachelor's degree in biology, wildlife management, natural history, environmental education or a closely related field; plus five years of progressively responsible experience in the field of interpretation or conservation management, including two years of supervisory experience.

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